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SUBJECT: ZIMBABWE DEVELOPMENT FUND

1. BILL SQUIRE OF THE BRITISH EMBASSY TOLD ME TODAY THAT ONDON WAS VERY ANXIOUS TO MOVE AHEAD TOWARD CONSULTATIONS WITH OTHER POTENTIAL DONORS ON THE ZIMBABWE DEVELOPMENT FUND NOW THAT THE INDEPENDENCE DATE ISSUE HAS BEEN SETTLED IN GENEVA. THERE ARE THREE REASONS FOR THEIR CONCERN. FIRST, THEY RECEIVED A CLEAR MESSAGE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN FOREIGN SECRETARY, GRAHAM FOURIE IN LONDON YESTERDAY THAT THE SOUTH AFRICANS AND THE RHODESIANS WERE CONCERNED THAT, CONTRARY TO OUR ASSURANCES EARLIER, WE MIGHT NOT BE MOVING AS EXPEDITIOUSLY AS WE COULD. SECOND, THEY ARE MOST CONCERNED THAT WITH A TOTALLY NEW CAST OF U.S. CHARACTERS ON JANUARY 20, THEY MAY HAVE TO START AT SQUARE ONE. THE PROCESS OF BRINGING THEIR CABINET ALONG WITH THE DRAFTS OF THE PROPOSAL AND THE JOINT LETTER HAS BEEN DELICATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

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THEY DON'T WANT TO START THE PROCESS OVER. THIRD, THEY

FEEL THAT IT IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER TO SIGN THE JOINT LETTER TO POTENTIAL DONORS AS HIS PRESTIGE IS IMPORTANT TO THE SUCCESS OF THE FUND.

2. I TOLD SQUIRE THAT OUR MAIN CONCERN ABOUT TIMING IS ITS EFFECT ON THE GENEVA CONFERENCE AND THAT WE WOULD APPRECIATE HEARING IVOR RICHARD'S VIEWS ON THIS MATTER. I DOUBTED THAT PROGRESS ON THE INDEPENDENCE DATE ISSUE WAS ENOUGH TO TRIGGER RAPID MOVEMENT ON THE FUND ISSUE. I SAID THAT GRAHAM FOURIE WOULD BE IN WASHINGTON NEXT WEEK AND IF HE RAISED THE FUND ISSUE IN LONDON HE WOULD CERTAINLY RAISE IT HERE. WE WOULD PROBABLY WANT TO HEAR FOURIE BEFORE RESPONDING TO THE BRITISH.

3. SQUIRE SAID THAT THE BRITISH WOULD LIKE TO RAISE THE ISSUE OF TIMING WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER WHEN HE IS IN LONDON ON DECEMBER 10. THEY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE AGREEMENT AT THE OFFICIAL LEVEL ON THE TEXT OF THE JOINT LETTER AND THE PROPOSAL BEFORE THEN.

4. IT SHOULD BE EASY TO OBTAIN FULL AGREEMENT BY THEN ON THE TEXT OF THE PROPOSAL FOR A ZIMBABWE DEVELOPMENT FUND, THE TWO ANNEXES, (ONE OF WHICH WILL BE HELD IN RESERVE AS A TALKING PAPER), AND A JOINT LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL. I HAVE RECEIVED COMMENTS FROM LONDON ON MY LAST LETTER TO MANSFIELD AND AM SENDING OFF ANOTHER LETTER TO LONDON TODAY WHICH I HOPE WILL NAIL DOWN THE TEXTS AND AVOID THE NECESSITY OF ANOTHER ROUND OF CONSULTATIONS HERE OR IN LONDON.

5. AGREEMENT ON THE TEXTS, HOWEVER, SHOULD NOT PREJUDICE THE TIMING OF THE APPROACH TO OTHER POTENTIAL DONORS. WE MIGHT WANT TO SEE MORE PROGRESS MADE ON THE CRITICAL ISSUES IN GENEVA. BY DECEMBER 10, WE SHOULD HAVE A BETTER IDEA ON HOW GENEVA IS PROGRESSING.

6. WE OUGHT TO GET TOGETHER THIS FRIDAY TO DETERMINE WHAT WE SHOULD TELL GRAHAM FOURIE IF HE ASKS ABOUT THE FUND. AMBASSADOR BOTHA HAS INVITED BOTH YOU AND ME TO THE SOUTH AFRICAN EMBASSY FOR A DINNER IN FOURIE'S HONOR ON MONDAY AND YOU ARE HOSTING A LUNCHEON FOR FOURIE ON TUESDAY.
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7. BILL SQUIRE ALSO SAID THAT WHEN WE DO MAKE AN APPROACH TO DONORS, THE BRITISH FEEL THAT WE SHOULD APPROACH THE TWO SETS OF DONORS SIMULTANEOUSLY, THE PRIMARY DONORS AND THE SECONDARY DONORS. THEY ARE AFRAID THAT SOME OF THEIR EC PARTNERS MIGHT OBJECT IF IT BECAME KNOWN THAT A SELECT GROUP HAS BEEN APPROACHED FIRST. THERE ARE ADVANTAGES TO GOING TO A SELECT GROUP FIRST, BUT I THINK THAT

WE OUGHT TO DEFER TO THE BRITISH ON THIS POINT BECAUSE OF THEIR NEED TO MAINTAIN GOOD RELATIONS WITH THEIR EC PARTNERS. I INDICATED MY VIEWS TO SQUIRE BUT SAID THAT I WOULD LIKE TO CONSULT WITH YOU ON FRIDAY BEFORE GIVING AN ANSWER.

8. I HAD A VERY GOOD LUNCH WITH GOLER BUTCHER LAST WEEK. I CLEARED UP A NUMBER OF MISCONCEPTIONS THAT SHE HAD ABOUT THE FUND.

9. A SUGGESTED STRATEGY FOR APPROACHING CONGRESS, BASED ON MY MEETING WITH SAM GOLDBERG (H) WILL FOLLOW SEPTTEL. ROBINSON

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